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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: AUTOMOTIVE ALTERNATOR

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement entered by the Examiner on April 18, 2002, Applicants wish to respond by electing for further examination the species of Figures 1-5, of which Figure 2 is most illustrative. It is believed that this species corresponds to that designated as "A" in the Examiner's table, although the Examiner did not specifically mention Figures 1-4, which depict the same embodiment as Figure 5.

Claims 1-3, 8, 10 and 11 are readable upon the elected species.

For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicants note that the claims of the present application and the disclosed embodiments correspond in the following manner.

CLAIMS

1, 8
2, 10
3, 11
4, 12
5, 13
6, 14

FIGURES

All figures
Fig. 2
Fig. 2
Figs. 6-8
Fig. 7
Figs. 6 and 7

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CLAIMS

7, 15

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FIGURES

Fig. 12

Figs. 9 and 10

Prompt and favorable action upon claims 1-3, 8, 10 and 11 directed to the elected species is now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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